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Lee Pate and her students dance along to lively Latin beats during her cardio-choreography Zumba class. Photo by Camille Nguyen/ Spartan Daily

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SPARTAN DAILY SALUTES VETERANS

SJSU campus closed Monday to honor veterans

By Camille Nguyen @camillediem

This Monday San Jose State University will close its campus in honor of Veterans Day, a holiday that celebrates and honors the veterans of the United States.

According to the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, as of this year, there are nearly 22.2 million veterans over the age of 17 in the U.S. which is a de-

cline from 2010’s veteran population of 27.7 million despite the ending of the Iraq War.

In the same report, it has been projected that the number will steadily decrease to fewer than 15 million individuals in 2036.

Along with those who served the nation, many SJSU Spartans once served in places such as Iraq and Afghanistan.

Damian Bramlett, an SJSU veteran coordinator and army infantry veteran, said approximately 450 veterans are currently enrolled in classes on campus.

SJSU has a variety of resources offered to student veterans, including psychology and psychiatry for those returning from a tour of duty, the Veterans Student Organization (VSO) and the Veterans Integration to Academic Leadership (VITAL) initiative a Veterans Administration grant founded in 2011.

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Veterans organizations push for campus facility

By Celeste Lodge @CelesteLodge

When Julie Kelemen, a student veteran, first came to SJSU, she said it took her hours to find the GI Bill office and months to find other veterans to talk to on campus.

“A veterans’ center would have made a whole world of difference,” said Kelemen, a freshman public relations major. “I think it’s important for veterans to have a place, so they feel welcome and safe.”

There is a Veterans’ Student Organization, which currently has about 35 to 40 members with 12 active members, and Kelemen hopes they will get space in the new Student Union as an official veterans affairs center.

If it cannot achieve space in the Student Union they would be happy with another space on campus, according to Damian Bramlett, the veteran’s coordinator for SJSU.

“Having a place where vets can go to seek out answers is key to their academic and interpersonal success,” Bramlett said.

Bramlett said a veterans’ center would have been helpful when several student veterans dropped out a few semesters ago because their GI Bill benefits were tapped out.

They didn’t realize there were other options for continuing their

education while still having the government pay the bill, according to Bramlett.

“A centralized veteran center would have created a space and opportunity for these vets to speak with professionals on what options were available in such a situation,” Bramlett said.

The organization currently holds its meetings once a month in Clark Hall, access center room 240A, which is a shared space with other students, according to David Richardson, president of the organization and senior linguistics major.

“The whole point of a veterans’ center is for vets to be by themselves, so they can relax and not necessarily have to worry about things that at times put veterans on edge,” Richardson said. “Normal students don’t know all the intricacies of things these guys and girls might have like PTSD. It is not something that goes well with people yelling and screaming and carrying on like typical college students do at times.”

According to the Department of Veteran Affairs website, PTSD (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder) occurs “in about 11-20 percent of Veterans of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars (Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom), or in 11-20 veterans out of 100.”

Recent estimates suggest current or former military represent 20 percent of all known suicides in the US and the rate of suicides among veterans utilizing Veterans Health Administration services is estimated to be higher than the general population, according to the Department of Veteran Affairs website.

Dustin Delzell, an organization member and sophomore global studies major, said he feels there is a divide between student veterans and other students.

“It turns you into a different but better person,” Delzell said. “Only we (veterans) can relate to each other. The other students don’t know what we’ve been through and how bad it was. They only know school.”

Bramlett said he didn’t feel welcomed when he first attended the school in 2008, especially when a student in classes said that, “soldiers are all soulless killers.”

“It made me feel very unwelcome and frustrated,” Bramlett said. “Here I am trying to get through school, I’ve served my country, and I’m still having to deal with ignorance and the assumption that I’m this ‘soulless killer’ because I served my country.”

Although veterans might feel a slight divide between themselves and other students, Anne Demers, chair of the Veterans Advisory

Committee, said it’s important for other students to see that there are veterans on the campus so that there isn’t a divide

“(A veterans’ center) is important so the veterans feel like they are a part of the campus community and have a sense of belonging,” Demers said.

MOSIAC, a cross cultural student organization which is inclusive of all student groups, shows support for student veterans and wants to make sure they feel welcomed as well.

Hyon Chu Yi-Baker, director of the MOSIAC, said they have partnered with veterans’ groups on a couple different programs.

Bramlett said he feels welcomed by the MOSIAC.

He said they reached out and hosted a symposium of the GI Bill last year in April and invited them to their Tunnel of Oppression event in April of this year.

Art King, the associate vice president for Student Affairs who oversees the Veteran Advisory Committee, said that he is pushing for the university to be one of the most veteran-friendly campuses students can find in this region.

Between 425 and 450 veterans are on campus including their im-

ELECTION 2012

Qayoumi pleased with Prop 30 victory

President warns budget woes not over

By Sage Curtis @sagedanielle

SJSU President Mohammad Qayoumi said that he is glad Proposition 30 passed, but said it is a temporary fix for the much larger problem of the budget deficit during a news conference on Tuesday afternoon.

“All of us are very happy that Prop 30 passed,” said Qayoumi in a news conference. “For higher education, it means that the budget will not be cut more, that we will not suffer a \$250 million cut.”

This is a proposition that will hopefully get breathing room for the next few years.

Mohammad Qayoumi, SJSU president

The California State University system will still take a cut of \$132 million for the Spring semester, but the governor has promised to restore \$125 million during the next year, according to Qayoumi.

“Net, assuming that \$125 million comes, the CSU will be losing over \$7 million,” he said. “It’s still a loss for us, but given the scenarios that we had, it is a better option.”

In terms of next semester, Qayoumi said that students could expect the status quo on campus to remain.

“We will keep the program that was planned for next semester,” Qayoumi said. “We had not planned on cutting any programs anyway, so from that point of view there was no decision to be made.”

For students, the passing of the proposition means a tuition rollback in spring to the annual amount for the 2011-2012 fees, according to information provided by CSU public affairs.

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CAMPUS

## Students to hack all night for money and prestige

*Students' homemade programs to do pitched battle in sponsored competition*

By Celeste Lodge  
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Students taking breaks from programming bots to sleep on a classroom floor may be something seen at the 24-hour hackathon this Friday. The hackathon is hosted by Barracuda Networks and will take place at SJSU from Friday, Nov. 9 at 4:00 p.m. to Nov. 10 at 4:00 p.m. Barracuda will provide a game and students can work alone or together to create bots (autonomous pieces of code) that will play against each other throughout the 24 hours. The Grand prizes are big dollar amounts with fun, mathematical twists. The first place is \$3,141.59 which is pi times 1000, the second place is \$1,414.21 which is the square root of two, and the third place is \$602.21 which is mole (unit of measurement in chemistry). Not only can students win big but they can also score a job. This event was started as a recruiting activity and Barracuda will be looking for students to hire.

"We've had great success with people that we have hired there (SJSU)," said Blair Hankins, Vice President of Engineering for Barracuda Networks. "We want to make sure we find and attract the best people there."

**You're given a project, a goal, and a set amount of time. It will simulate stress and anxiety.**

Julian Pizano,  
political science major

According to Bernard Mesa, a graduate student and president of the computer science club, Barracuda has been vague about what the actual game is and they won't find out all the details until the hackathon.

Students can create teams of up to four people. Twenty hours will be open development and bots playing one another. "It's pretty important (to stay the whole time) because people are continually improving their game and they learn the competition of the other bots," Hankins said. If a student leaves during the hackathon, they are more likely to get beaten, according to Hankins. Based on the ranking the bots have received from competing against one another, a bracket for a single elimination tournament will be created. At hour 22 the single elimination tournament will start and then the top three teams will emerge. Although the top teams will be on the top of the list for interviews, Hankins said anyone who attends and stays for the whole competition could be an interview candidate. "It's tough competition, it really is," Hankins said. "They are all good candidates as far as I'm concerned." The games will be projected on a big screen, so everyone can watch. "It's going to be a really fun event," Mesa said. "All my friends are coming out to compete and I'm looking forward to beating them." Mesa anticipates about 100 people attending the event. This will be the biggest hackathon at SJSU so far, according to Mesa. It is open to all majors but focuses on computer science, electrical engineering, software engineering, and management information systems.

"It's definitely worth people going to check out," said Josh Filstrup, a junior double majoring in computer science and applied mathematics, "especially (for) inexperienced programmers who want to see what kind of different fields are available for them." Jon Pearce, chair of the computer science department, encourages students to attend because it looks good on their resume and expands their social network. "It's a social activity," Pearce said. "My theory is that students who are more socially involved with their departments and activities in their majors tend to be more successful." Mesa said this is a good opportunity for students to prepare for a job interview. "Competitions like these simulate the environment of interviews," Mesa said. "You're given a project, a goal, and a set amount of time. It will simulate the stress and anxiety you will feel (in an interview)." To register, students can go to the Barracuda Networks website and fill out and submit the form. There is no deadline but students are encouraged to sign up sooner rather than later. The hackathon will be held in MacQuarrie Hall room 226. "There are many things to take away from this event," Mesa said. "The experience, the training, getting your name out there to a big company and bragging rights. If I was the top dog, I would brag about it." Celeste Lodge is a Spartan Daily staff writer. Follow her on Twitter at @CelesteLodge.

## Prop 30: Campus, CSU hopeful for financial future

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This will give every student a refund for \$249, which will come in different forms for every student depending on his or her payment method, according to Qayoumi. The proposition is a temporary measure that Qayoumi hopes will allow for time to plan for the future. "This is a proposition that will hopefully get breathing room for the next few years," he said. "The state legislature, the governor and other officials will be able to work together and develop a funding mechanism for education as a whole, so that there will be some sense of predictability." In a statement given on Tuesday morning, CSU Chancellor Charles Reed echoed the sentiment that the proposition is a stepping stone in the right direction. "We are hopeful that the passage of Proposition 30 will be the beginning of the state's reinvestment in higher education," Reed said. "The long term benefits of additional revenue can only be realized if higher education is once again a priority. The state needs to start making up for the devastating budget cuts of the past several years, and focus on higher education as a driver of California's economic future."

Some students on campus hope that the measure will mean a positive turn in their education. "Keeping class sections and not having to cut programs or departments is a really good thing," said Joaquin D. Stewart-Soriano, a senior animation/illustration major. "I have a hard enough time getting classes, so not having to worry about that as much is great." Other students said that the monetary incentive persuaded their "yes" vote on the proposition. "More money is always a good thing," said Dominick Finetti, a sophomore music technology major. "It's a good thing, and I voted for it." Qayoumi acknowledge student involvement in pushing a "yes" vote on the proposition, citing the effort to have students register to vote and educate the larger student body on the issues at hand. "I am really pleased that our campus had an active participation in the political process," Qayoumi said. "I hope they gained a sense of satisfaction by being part of the democratic process that yielded good results for them." Sage Curtis is a Spartan Daily staff writer. Follow her on Twitter at @sagedanielle.

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## LEGACY

# Comprehensive history of SJSU's veteran community

**By Jonathan Roth**  
Contributing Writer

Our first veteran student was Charles W. Childs. A native of California, he enlisted in a company of volunteers guarding the routes to the West. After that company disbanded, he became a First Lieutenant in the Second Battalion, Fourth Brigade of the California Militia for the duration of the Civil War.

He enrolled in the California State Normal School at San Jose, the predecessor of San Jose State University, after leaving the military. He joined the faculty in 1878, and headed the history, civil government and bookkeeping departments. From 1889-1896, he served as principal of the Normal School, and hired the first industrial arts instructor.

Indeed, several of the early faculty and administrators of the California State Normal School were Civil War veterans.

Charles H. Allen was teaching education at the University of Wisconsin when the Civil War began. In 1864, when the university raised a regiment made up of faculty and students, Professor Allen received a commission as Captain Allen and raised and commanded a regiment.

He was Principal, as the head of the San Jose Normal School was called, from 1873 to 1889, and had a major impact on the institution. As a branch of the Normal School was established in Los Angeles in 1881, we became the San Jose State Normal School in 1887.

Like many Union officers, Allen was deeply committed to the idea of opportunity for all Americans. Like many veterans of the war, he saw the struggle as a victory for what Lincoln spoke of in the Gettysburg Address and the Second Inaugural.

Dedicated to the idea of helping students rise out of poverty, Allen set up a lathe he had purchased in Atlanta after the war, and used it to train young men in the base-

ment of the Normal School. This sort of vocational training was revolutionary, and this was one reason that President Benjamin Harrison, himself a Civil War veteran, visited the Normal School in February of 1892.

In 1890, Principal Childs organized a Drill Corps, and the Adjutant-General of the California National Guard sent seventy stands of Civil War era muskets for use by the students in what was called the Normal Drill Corps. Such drill corps were organized around the country, both at universities and colleges, which included the Normal Schools.

Some schools included women in their drill teams, for example in West Virginia a "broom brigade" drilled with brooms. At San Jose Normal School, however, the Drill Corps was divided into two companies, "A" made up of women, and "B" of men—and both drilled with rifles. No doubt they greeted President Harrison. In March of 1892, the two companies engaged in a competitive drill on what is today Tower Lawn: the women won.

At the same time as the Drill teams, the Football team was organized. Eventually, the drill teams were subsumed by the marching band and their military background obscured.

The United States entered World War One in 1917. Thirty-five San Jose Teacher's College faculty and students either volunteered or were drafted into the military. Two served overseas, one, Fred Tonge, served in the Motor Transport Corps and the other Joseph Nathanson, fought in the 91st Division and was wounded at the Battle of Meuse-Argonne.

A number served in the 158th Medical Corps, part of the 40th Division, stationed at Camp Kearny, and the 144th Field Artillery at Tanforan, others with the infantry, cavalry engineers, and at least one, Ernest Williams in the Marine Corps. The faculty voted letters of appreciation

to students who left school to join the military, and faculty who enlisted, or were drafted, were granted "leaves without prejudice."

Thomas W. MacQuarrie, who later became the school's 16th president, had enlisted, and served as a captain in the 88th Division. He was sent to France, and attended the Army General Staff College at Langres, and led instructional tours of the battlefields after the Armistice.

The school was very involved in activities supporting the war effort, raising money for relief efforts (e.g. for Armenia and Serbia) as well as for the troops. Women were especially active in these efforts.

As there were no educational benefits for veterans of World War One, there were no records kept of the number of veterans who became students, or for that matter, faculty. Since there were no educational benefits for World War One veterans, the end of the war had little effect on the school.

In 1921, the San Jose Normal School became San Jose State Teachers College.

It was now President MacQuarrie who began a program for training police in 1930 — this was the first college-level pre-employment training for police in the world.

This became San Jose State College in 1934.

Around this time it had a unit of the Pershing Rifles, a volunteer national organization of college students, which drilled and did other military training. The Reserve Officers Training Corps had been organized, but the only local unit was at Santa Clara University.

The San Jose State Football team happened to be in Honolulu on December 7th 1941. After the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, the players volunteered for police duty to enforce blackout regulations and guard the city's waterworks. Some of the players remained in Hawaii and enlisted in the military.

In the very first days of World War II, the 159th Infan-

try Regiment of the California National Guard (which had been in federal service since 1940), was stationed at Spartan Stadium, in part to defend the West Coast's only radar station at Mount Tamalpais. They soon left, to be deployed around the state.

About a week later, 450 men of the 57th Field Artillery arrived on campus, serving as an anti-aircraft battery. At first, they were quartered in the men's gymnasium, but eventually barracks were built (which were used for many years after the war as classrooms and offices). Later in the war, a pilot training school was established.

During the Second World War, some 4,200 faculty, staff and students served in the military. They served in every branch of the military, and included women as well as men. A former university president, Richard Heron, was appointed a colonel and headed the civilian personnel branch of the Army Support Service.

During World Two, 182 Spartans lost their lives. The names of the fallen, listed in the program of the 1947 Memorial Day event, reveal that the school was already diverse, along with Browns and Walkers, Muldoons and O'Neills, Bambauers and van der Kamps, one sees Figone and Laudencia, Kowalski and Guskey. There are Portuguese names such as Soares, Spanish ones such as Azevedo and Narvaez, Philippine names such as Casaraung and Wing Su Chuck, a Chinese-American student, who had grown up in Redwood City.

Flags with gold stars, representing the dead, were hung in the Memorial Chapel built to honor them.

After the war, the school expanded dramatically, in large part due to the G.I. Bill. While the Bill was proposed by the liberal Roosevelt administration, the conservative American Legion and Hearst newspapers were instrumental in its passing.

The Bill, which became law in 1944, provided for up to

four years of education, with a maximum tuition of \$500. At the time, there was no tuition at San Jose State College, but the monthly stipend of \$50 a month was enough to live on and buy books.

It is worth noting that in World War II, only 23 percent of troops had high school diplomas, and only 3.6 percent had college degrees. Though the military was still segregated the bill was color blind, and had no racial or ethnic restrictions. San Jose State was one institution where veterans of the all-black 92nd division enrolled. In addition, men disabled in World War Two, and not just in combat, received special benefits, which included educational support for their dependents.

Although female military personnel were eligible, few women could take advantage of the GI bill, only 2 percent of the military were women. Many women, had entered colleges during the war, as enrollments plummeted due to the draft, but the GI Bill had the effect of pushing women out of higher education for a generation.

This had a particularly dramatic effect on San Jose State College, which had a tradition of female faculty. As Betty Friedan pointed out in the Feminine Mystique, the disappearance of women from the professions did not just happen, but was a result of a conscious effort to reverse the advances made during the war. This was only partially successful, as the Fifties saw women resisting this trend, and some of the leaders of this proto-feminist movement were themselves veterans and former war workers.

In 1946, 1400 of the 3583 new students were veterans. According to a report issued by Stanford University in 1949, over 40 percent of San Jose State College students were veterans.

After the war, the Veterans Administration established Veteran Guidance Centers in universities around the country. These served very

much as the "one stop shopping" that are popular today. They helped with medical and psychological problems, provided liaisons with the Veterans Administration, and provided academic and career counseling. In the 1950s, as the number of veterans fell, these Guidance Centers became general student counseling centers.

The growth fueled by the GI Bill transformed the College. In 1949, for example, the first Masters degrees were awarded. By the 1950s, a large number of faculty were WWII veterans and many continued to serve in local reserve units.

The enormous expansion of the school provided a need for professors, and this need was supplied in large part by veterans. History, for example, which became a department in the early 1950s, recruited professors from the Sixth Army Intelligence School at Fort Ord in Monterey.

Several post-war presidents were World War II veterans, Hobert W. Burns served in the Coast Guard and John H. Bunzel was a master sergeant in the Army.

Veterans, including those who had attended State either before or after the war, formed an important part of the development of California and the United States. Organizations such as the G.I. Forum, a group of Hispanic veterans, helped to develop the Civil Rights movement.

After the war, San Jose State got its first Army ROTC unit. Because of the Police School, it was a military police outfit at first.

The Air Force became independent in 1947, and one of the first Air Force ROTC units in the country, Detachment 45, was founded at SJSU the same year, its first commandant was LTC Howard Brown, and his son Kirk, who later commanded the same unit, was born in San Jose while he was here.

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## ELECTION 2012

# In shift, gay marriage racks up wins on ballot in the East

**By Curtis Tate**  
McClatchy Tribune

Supporters of same-sex marriage reached a major milestone in Tuesday's elections, when Maryland and Maine became the first states where voters upheld marriage rights for gay and lesbian couples.

While gay marriage has gained the support of courts, state legislatures and even President Barack Obama, voters have rejected the question every time it has appeared as a ballot issue.

But Tuesday turned the tide. Washington state voters were poised to uphold gay marriage on Wednesday, with supporters of the referendum declaring victory. Voters in Minnesota turned down an effort to ban gay marriage in the state's constitution.

"We can't underestimate the importance of what we saw yesterday," said David Masci, a senior researcher at the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life. "It's a pretty big deal."

Part of it boils down to demographic changes, he said. Younger voters overwhelmingly backed Obama's election in 2008 and turned out in even larger numbers on Tuesday. They're also the group that shows the highest support for gay marriage.

Evan Wolfson, president of Freedom to Marry, a New York-based gay rights group, called the Election Day results "a powerful demonstration that the center of gravity has dramatically shifted in our direction" after losses at the ballot in 2004 and 2008.

"We're working within a huge amount of wind in our sails," he said.

Brian Brown, president of the National Organization for Marriage, which opposes same-sex marriage, downplayed the significance of the votes, saying they were the result of heavy political and financial support in four liberal-leaning states. All four — Maryland, Maine, Minnesota and Washington — voted to re-elect the president.

"Though we are disappointed over these losses, we remain faithful to our mission and committed to the cause of preserving marriage as God designed it," Brown said in a statement. "Marriage is a true and just cause, and we will never abandon the field of battle just because we experienced a setback."

But the result in each of the four states, where gay marriage supporters prevailed by a roughly 52 percent to 48 percent margin, may reflect how Americans are evolving on the issue.

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STUDENT VOICES

SJSU veteran comments on life after service

By Camille Nguyen @camilediem

Phat Dat Phan, a senior chemistry major and dental sergeant in U.S. Army, served from the summer of 2007 to the summer of 2008 in Iraq.

*There’s no front line in Iraq anymore. It’s not like in World War II or World War I, so you always saw action.*

When I first came back I didn’t really feel it because **I was trying to reconnect with old friends** and just trying to get back into a normal routine because **it didn’t feel normal anymore to be not busy every day and not be on high alert**

*In Iraq there’s often times you feel very alone even though you’re with all the other soldiers.*



Photo by Camille Nguyen / Spartan Daily

For the first year (back) I was really determined to go to school and get my degree but then **I realized that my PTSD was really affecting me.**

*Civilian life is so different (from) military life.*

I remember sitting in chemistry class three weeks into the semester after I got back from Iraq and all of a sudden I hear this — **I thought I heard an explosion**, I can remember it — I heard this really loud noise and it must have been a truck that picks up trash, but I thought, **I could have sworn that it was a mortar explosion. I was cringing.** I shrunk down and I responded right away and I looked around and no one was moving except myself.

People not in the military don’t understand what soldiers have to go through and that they are trying their best to be there for their family even though they can’t.

Veterans: Want more from SJSU

FROM PAGE 1  
mediate families, according to King.

He said the Veteran Advisory Committee, the Veterans’ Student Organization, and the veterans coordinator that is provided through the Vital Initiative Grant from the Veterans Administration, are all ways in which the university has become more veteran-friendly.

The committee works to put together a needs assessment survey for student veterans in order to evaluate their urgent needs, according to King.

“We just want to make sure we have a comprehensive view of what the needs are of our veteran students before we can move forward with talking about whether a veteran’s center comes first,” King said.

The survey should be coming out shortly, according to King.

“If that (the need for a veterans’ center) comes back as an urgent need then that’s something we really need to take a look at,” King said.

Bramlett said he believes that the university has put in efforts to become more veteran-friendly but says work can still be done.

“I believe the best way the university can help vets at this point is by finding space on campus for a proper veteran center,” Bramlett said.

Richardson said many of the veterans want a veteran’s center in the new Student Union but Cathy Busalacchi, the executive director of the Student Union, said there is no guarantee that they will get a space in the Student

Union since the plans began years ago.

According to Busalacchi, consultants created an impartial feasibility study around 2004 which was given to students to ask what they wanted to see in the new Student Union.

A business plan was created in January of 2008 and talked about laying out what they wanted to see, which ultimately came from students, according to Busalacchi.

Demers said that years ago there was hardly any talk about a veterans’ on-campus and faculty and students didn’t realize that there were so many veterans on campus.

“When the planning for the Student Union was developing, the Veteran’s Advisory Committee was only a task force and not even an official committee, Demers said. “We hadn’t even talked about having a veteran’s center yet.”

Mark Pinto, vice president of Veterans’ Student Organization, said that times have changed and the organization’s needs have changed.

Pinto said he thinks they can’t reach the other veterans on campus because they don’t have a common meeting place to gather.

“The growing awareness of veteran’s issues is coming front and center,” Pinto said. “In the past we didn’t have much of a footprint and now I think we not only have a footprint but the need.”

Bramlett said there are more vets on campus in general due to the winding down of both the Iraq and Afghanistan wars.

Richardson said that he wants the faculty of SJSU to

follow through with their claims of having a veteran-friendly campus and to create a veteran center, because that’s what most veterans want.

He visited the Community College of San Francisco over the summer, and said it had an amazing veterans’ center.

“The biggest thing that I found amazing about their vet center was that everything there was donated,” Richardson said. “Instead of talking about doing something for vets, someone (a coach at the Community College of San Francisco) actually went and made it happen.”

He wishes SJSU wouldn’t get so caught up with how to fund the veteran center because there are realistic alternatives.

“The school apparently has money to waste to beautify the campus (i.e. remove and then replace trees all over campus, new marquee in front of the theater, etc),” Richardson said. “But no money to support vets on campus that put their lives on hold to serve their countries. This is absolutely preposterous.”

Kelemen said many other schools have veteran centers, and it’s important for SJSU to have one because it would get a lot of use from veterans.

“The student veterans deserve to have a home on campus for the same reason that we want to call ourselves a ‘veteran friendly’ campus: as a symbol of appreciation,” Kelemen said.

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CAMPUS

VITAL: A new initiative to benefit returning veterans

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Arriving back in the United States after seven years of service in the U.S. Army was not an easy transition for global studies major Dustin Delzell.

“It was hard,” Delzell said, “It sucked and it still sucks. You leave a place where everybody thinks and acts like you do and then come here where nobody thinks or acts like you do.”

The grant program Veterans Integration to Academic Leadership (VITAL) initiative has been put into place on campus since early 2012 in order to help veterans such as Delzell successfully transition to college.

Damian Bramlett, the program’s veteran coordinator, said the purpose of the initiative is not only to provide a major source of veteran information regarding recent GI bills, but to assist with the unique struggles a veteran faces transitioning into the college atmosphere.

“These veterans need a climate where they’re not getting flack for being a veteran too,” Bramlett said.

The initiative, according to Bramlett, was a grant opportunity discovered last December that had already been successfully established at five colleges and universities in the U.S.

After submitting a proposal created by Annabel Prins, an associate professor of psychology, SJSU was one of 15 colleges and univer-

sities that was granted the funds to run the initiative, according to Bramlett.

“In March we began the foundations for the program,” he said, “That included every little thing from business cards and brochures which aren’t paid for with the grant money.”

According to Bramlett, the initiative’s grant only includes funding for his salary and a student assistant’s.

“We’ve used outside donors to help us out and that’s been great,” he said.

Since the program’s establishment on campus, Bramlett has worked to reach out to each and every veteran on campus through word of mouth, emails and advocacy.

“This initiative helps them with trying to finish their goal of finishing college,” Bramlett said.

The initiative allows him to provide information about physical and mental health counseling, financial help regarding the GI bill and housing assistance to all veterans on campus, according to Bramlett.

According to psychology professor Elena Klaw, the initiative helps create the type of community that can be a solution for veterans who feel a sense of isolation at SJSU.

In addition, Klaw also teaches a class through the Veterans Student Organization (VSO) titled Warriors at Home.

The course discusses issues relevant to veteran life such as post traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injuries, depression, anxiety and healthy relationships, according to Klaw.

“It creates a community of veterans and mutual support,” Klaw said, “We know veterans are at a higher risk of things like suicide and violence in relationships, but social support is an important remedy.”

Mark Pinto, vice president of the Veterans Student Organization, served 20 years in the Marine Corps as a helicopter pilot and said veterans can use this initiative to gain a sense of visibility on campus.

“A lot of these young soldiers come back with traumas and issues,” Pinto said, “They feel isolated and they’ll find reasons to just drop out.”

Pinto said the importance of providing information to veterans about scholarships, work study, financial help and grants is crucial to feeling involved in the veteran community.

“Anything we can do to make people find a location to connect and reach out will create a sense of community,” Pinto said, “It’ll also bridge that gap of veterans and students.”

For Delzell, it is a gap that is all too real.

“We have different needs than a regular student,” he said. “The job title Damian holds is indispensable.”

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# SJSU’s Lee Pate aims to inspire fitness lifestyle in students

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Lee Pate jumps around and shakes her body to Latin electronic dance music during her Zumba class.

Even over loud and vibrant Latin dance beats, Lee Pate’s voice can be clearly heard pumping students up as she jumps and grooves to the choreography of her Zumba class.

Graduating from San Jose State University in 1992 with a bachelor’s degree in painting and drawing, Pate began teaching after being offered a temporary part-time job instructing aerobics classes from her former physical education teacher.

“If you told me I would be (teaching fitness classes) 20 years ago I would have called you crazy,” Pate said, adding that she was heavyset while growing up and was often teased by her peers for her physical looks.

She said the bullying reached the point of other girls vandalizing and defacing her car by writing the word “pig” all over the vehicle in marker while she was in junior college.

However, according to Pate, the words of discouragement did not stop at only other students, but one of her fitness instructors also criticized her for her weight.

“I remember going to my first aerobics class and sweating and being red in the face and being so proud of finishing the workout because it took a lot of guts for me to even get in the room,” she said. “But at the end of it, (the teacher) came up to me, put her hand on my shoulder and said, ‘I don’t think this class is right for you.’”

In spite of the demoralizing remarks and comments made from those around her, Pate said she was determined to make a change in her life and continued to attend aerobics classes, although from a different instructor.

Heading into her 18th year as a kinesiology teacher, she said she never planned on having a career in fitness and aerobics.

Pate said she began teaching classes because her job as a planner for citywide fitness required her to get involved and working with the community.

Citing nerves as the main reason behind her reluctance to teach, she said she was pushed by her fitness instructors at SJSU to start teaching on campus as an aerobics specialist despite feeling inept.

“I wanted to prove (to my teachers) how horrible I was going to be (as an instructor) and show them that (my students) would hate me,” she said, describing her resistance to her teachers’ encouragement. “Sure enough, I got good reviews at the end of the semester and they hired me again.”

After receiving her master’s degree in exercise and physiology at SJSU in 2005, Pate continued to teach aerobics and introduced and began teaching body sculpting as a part of the curriculum of the kinesiology department.

Currently, she is teaching both Zumba and body sculpting, which she said has an increase in enrollment and popularity every semester.

“I’ve heard such great things about her body sculpting class that I’ve been dropping in frequently for the past two semesters,” said Lillian Phan, a junior business finance major currently taking Pate’s Zumba class. “She makes working out more fun than just your average squats or bicep curls, so it makes you want to workout.”

Senior biology major Kirstie Tablan said she enjoys the varying levels of difficulty offered in Pate’s classes, especially the body sculpting course, which focuses on toning and strengthening muscles through weightlifting and resistance training.

“You really do see results from taking her (classes),” she said. “It’s challenging but it’s worth it because you see changes in your body and the way you look at health and fitness.”

According to Pate, these are the exact results she aims to inspire in her students as their fitness instructor.

“A lot of (students) are doing things they’ve never ever imagined that they could do and they have muscles that they never ever thought they could have,” she said. “Then they come into (these classes) and it changes their life, which makes me happy.”

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Lee Pate (right) jumps around and shakes her body to Latin electronic dance music during her Zumba class. Photo by Camille Nguyen/Spartan Daily

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CAMPUS LIFE

Gallery Wars seeks to display diversity of the campus art scene

By Dennis Biles  
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Gallery Wars, a new sculpture competition, will be invading the art quad Tuesday Nov. 13 for its second installment.

The first competition was held in the Art building on Oct. 9.

“A competitive sculpture competition has been something I wanted to do since my undergrad at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago,” said Scotty Gorham, brain-child and head organizer of the competition. “My hope is that it becomes something the entire department can not only be proud of, but take ownership in.”

Gorham, a graduate student working toward a master’s degree in spatial art, envisioned an event where participants could put their skills to the test while helping to cultivate a robust art community on campus.

“I’m a jock,” he said. “I’ve played sports my whole life. Competition can be a good thing – not only to challenge yourself, but to appreciate your opponents.”

Gorham wanted to bring the spirit of competition to art students at SJSU as a way to have fun and come together.

“The art world is filled with competition and Gallery Wars embraces that competition and puts it out there in a straightforward, yet playful, way that hopes to ultimately strengthen our community,” he said.



Artist and founder Scotty Gorham (right) talks with an attendee during the first installment of Gallery Wars held on Oct. 9 in the Art building. **Photo courtesy of Scotty Gorham**

For Alyssa Eustaquio, a fine arts graduate student, the opportunity to build relationships and raise awareness of the art culture at SJSU are the most rewarding aspects of being involved with the competition.

“I really believe community is what makes any program, and Gallery Wars is a great way to get everyone riled up for art,” Eustaquio said. “I think this is especially beneficial for a community of artists where a majority of our time is spent working

independently. We yearn to collaborate and honestly, who needs an excuse to come together as a community?”

For the upcoming edition of Gallery Wars, Gorham will play host as six contestants, in three groups of two, will have five hours to construct a work of art based on the theme of the competition.

However, the contestants will not find out who they are working with or what the theme is until Sunday evening.

“The fighters are picked

and they’re anxious to battle,” Eustaquio said. “The challenge on the other hand, is a secret. Let’s just say that I am very excited.”

Besides being excited for the event itself, Biagio Scarpello, a contestant and spatial art graduate student, is hopeful that Gallery Wars will entice SJSU students to take a look at what’s going on in the Art building.

“Gallery Wars is significant because it makes art accessible to a wide range of audiences,” Scarpello said.

“The enthusiasm generated by Gallery Wars brings attention to the gallery system in the art building, which is showcasing new, compelling work every week.”

The hope is that Gallery Wars will become a permanent and popular event at SJSU.

“I find it exciting to have steady documentation of Gallery Wars” Eustaquio said. “We do not see the upcoming battle as the last and it would be interesting to see how the event evolves from

competition to competition.” While this edition of Gallery Wars basically only has sculptors, Gorham said that next semester the format will be expanded to include artists from all disciplines.

In the first competition Gorham squared off against fellow spatial art graduate student Kat MacKinnon in a fort building contest.

With four hours to complete their forts, MacKinnon constructed a raised wooden fort with clay spitball capabilities and a trick-locking door, while Gorham built a concrete structure that weighed in at more than a ton.

After the forts were completed, the audience was asked to vote for the winner and MacKinnon came out victorious.

While MacKinnon played a crucial role with Gorham in bringing Gallery Wars to life, she will not be in this month’s competition because of a solo show she has that same night in the Art building in Gallery 5.

Nevertheless, Gorham is focused on building up Gallery Wars and showing the student body that art is entertaining.

“My goal with Gallery Wars is to show that sculpture is cool– that art is cool– and to remind myself and other artists to enjoy what we do because it rules,” Gorham said. “This event is bad ass and I hope to see everyone there.”

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16 Cryptolo-gist's interest  
17 Dove's retreat  
18 Letter flourish  
19 Orchestral "tuning fork"  
20 Teach ba-ton class?  
23 Undulating fish  
24 "\_\_\_ to worry!"  
25 Well-put Lusitania's undoing  
28 Fox rival  
32 Plumlike fruit  
35 Politician's pursuit  
38 Group of Girl Scouts, e.g.  
40 Gets re-venge  
43 Crude counters  
44 List ender, briefly  
45 Analogous  
46 Blanc who voiced

- many a toon  
47 Afternoon performance  
50 N.Y. min-utes?  
51 Rightmost pedal  
52 Helmet add-on, on TV  
54 Exerts control  
63 Soprano's strain  
64 What stealth planes avoid  
65 Not half-baked?  
66 "The Foun-tainhead" novelist Ayn  
67 Famous San Antonio mission  
68 Command shouted in many Westerns  
69 Away from the storm  
70 Middle Eastern country on the Red Sea  
71 Sails crookedly

DOWN

- 1 Julep flavor  
2 Continu-ously  
3 Exploration organization

- 4 Free, as laces  
5 Reveal, as medical information  
6 Nabisco's bestseller  
7 Fork-tailed shore bird  
8 Sooner State city  
9 IRS payout  
10 Patton portrayer  
11 Freight car hopper, ste-reotypically  
12 Reminder to take out the trash, maybe  
13 Golf-range props  
21 It's behind the uprights  
22 Crotchety types

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32 Rock and roll legend Sam  
33 Karloff or Godunov  
34 Threw euros around  
36 Plus additional things  
39 1986 GE takeover  
41 Succotash beans  
42 Negative particle  
48 Off course  
49 Van Gogh's love offering  
51 Forest clearing  
53 Annapolis student, briefly  
54 Troopers' head?  
55 \_\_\_ Moun-tains (Europe-Asia dividers)  
56 Contour  
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# FASHION

## Exploring San Jose's Vintage Scene

Story and photos by Sage Curtis @sagedanielle



one

1630 W. San Carlos St., San Jose

Moon Zoom is perfect for everyday vintage wear, costumes, accessories and shoes, and has a great assortment of old band T-shirts, coats and jewelry. The store is extremely well organized with labels that say what time period you are shopping in and a system of color-coding. It's huge too, containing four rooms and an upstairs chock full of men's and women's clothing and accessories. The prices here are decent, ranging between \$15 to \$50 for pieces, but check everything carefully. Some pieces show wear with holes, ripped seams, missing buttons, etc.



two

751 W. San Carlos St., San Jose

Black Cat Collective Vintage Emporium is a spot for vintage collectors. The store has everything from vintage furniture to women's swimwear from the '40s. However, for most items, the price point is high. Blouses, men's button-ups and shoes go for around \$50, while dresses and coats don't dip below the \$75 mark. The quality of the items is worthy of a collector though, with no stains, holes or other defects. Most of the items hardly looked worn or used.



three

850 The Alameda, San Jose

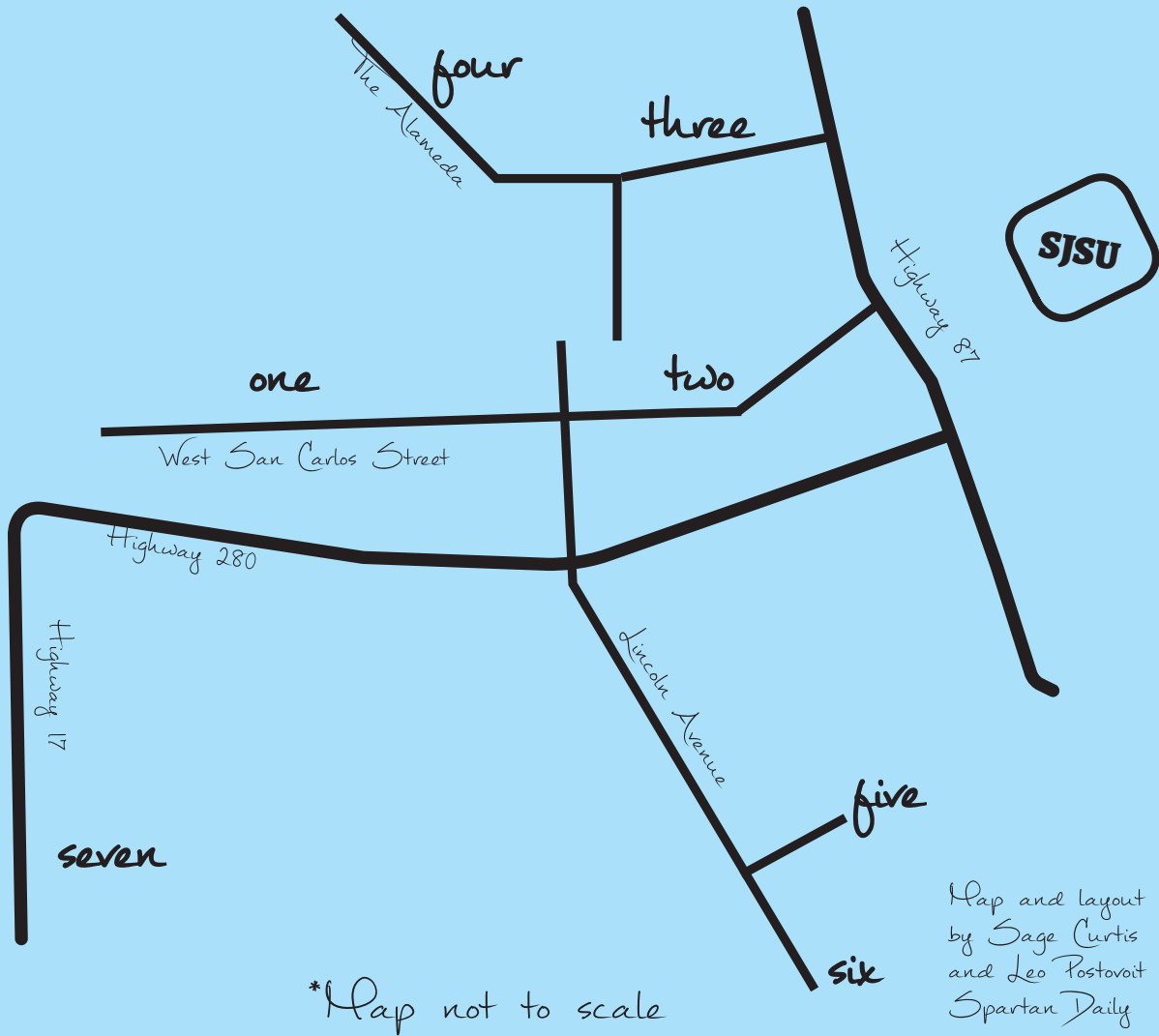
Black and Brown buys and sells clothes that fit into its unique consignment theme of unique pieces that are vintage-inspired. It has a style of its own that looks like an Urban Outfitters that won't have hundreds of the same coat lying around. They have a great assortment of both modern clothes at great prices and vintage clothes at moderate prices. The clothing here is best for the everyday-wear function. It isn't costume-y at all (no go-go boots at this joint), but you can definitely find unique pieces at a good price (\$10-30). Their clothes seemed to be checked for extensive wear and are mostly in great shape.



four

1343 The Alameda, San Jose

Elephante Blanco is more of a thrift store than a vintage boutique. It is run by the Rotary Club of San Jose and also has a wedding boutique section. It's included on this list, not because of its clothes and shoes, but instead because of its jewelry selection. From brooches to rings, they have all different kinds of imitation gold, silver and pearls that can come in handy for costumes or just dressing up a vintage outfit for the day. Because it operates more like a thrift store than a vintage store, the prices are cheap and the jewelry can be a bargain.



five

1318 Lincoln Ave., San Jose

Park Place Vintage has the effect of walking into your grandmother's garage sale, packed with new items for sale at the front with the vintage pieces buried behind it all. This is a type of one-stop-shop for costumes whether unique or store bought. It has the types of costumes that are for sale anywhere (think flapper girl and pimp daddy), and unique props like feathers, shoes, hats, bags and sunglasses. The pricing for the actual vintage items is reasonable, anywhere from \$20 for a shirt to \$75 for a coat. Shoes and vintage hats go for about \$30.



six

860 Willow St., San Jose

It's A Girl Thing is the opposite of the cheap thrift store for unique treasures amid piles of trash. The shop contains gently used designer shoes, purses and jewelry to sell at (slightly) discounted prices. A quick survey of the store offers the shopper a range of recognizable brands like Louis Vuitton, Coach, Tiffany & Co. and Michael Kors. Everything there has a high price point (the cheapest bag was about \$200), but a collector of vintage fashion might be interested in what the store has to offer, especially the large and unique selection of vintage coats.



seven

342 E. Campbell Ave., Campbell

23 Skidoo is the pin-up girl's dream shop. It contains both reproduction vintage styles in all sizes and unique vintage pieces. While they have a small vintage selection, the reproduction vintage clothing is much more extensive and pricey (upwards of \$100 for dresses and faux leather jackets). It does stay true to the rockabilly style with swing dresses, Bettie Page remakes, headbands and hair clips. Ultimately, this store is good if for a shopper committed to that style and willing to shell out some good money to pull it off.